

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method to be performed in a computer system having stored therein an electronic document that is associated with another electronic document, the method comprising:

displaying a view of a selected electronic document on a graphical user interface, the selected electronic document having [[an]] one of several intrinsic associations with at least one other electronic document; and

displaying on the graphical user interface, while displaying the view of the selected electronic document, a user-selectable command that identifies the intrinsic association by indicating which of the selected electronic document and the other electronic document is a follow up of the other, and causes a view of the other electronic document that is intrinsically associated with the selected electronic document to be displayed on the graphical user interface.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the user-selectable command is displayed in response to a user selecting an input control in a toolbar of the graphical user interface.

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the selected electronic document is intrinsically associated with each of a plurality of other electronic documents, and wherein the method further comprises displaying on the graphical user interface a plurality of user-selectable commands for displaying views of the plurality of other electronic documents, each of the plurality of user-selectable commands identifying the respective intrinsic association.

4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the intrinsic associations between the selected electronic document and each of the plurality of other electronic documents belong to any of a plurality of association categories.

5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 4, wherein the method further comprises grouping the plurality of user-selectable commands according to the plurality of association categories.

6. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the selected electronic document and the plurality of other electronic documents form a hierarchy.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein one of the association categories provides navigation upward in the hierarchy.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein one of the association categories provides navigation downward in the hierarchy.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
receiving a predetermined input upon a user selecting the user-selectable command; and  
in response to receiving the predetermined input, displaying on the graphical user interface the view of the at least one other electronic document.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, further comprising ceasing to display the view of the selected electronic document upon displaying the at least one other electronic document.

11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9, further comprising displaying another user-selectable command on the graphical user interface that identifies the intrinsic association and causes the view of the selected electronic document to be displayed on the graphical user interface.

12. (Currently amended) A computer program product tangibly embodied in an information carrier, the computer program product including instructions that, when executed, cause a processor to perform instructions comprising:

display a view of a selected electronic document on a graphical user interface, the selected electronic document having [[an]] one of several intrinsic associations with at least one other electronic document; and

display on the graphical user interface, while displaying the view of the selected electronic document, a user-selectable command that identifies the intrinsic association by indicating which of the selected electronic document and the other electronic document is a follow up of the other, and causes a view of the other electronic document that is intrinsically associated with the selected electronic document to be displayed on the graphical user interface.

13. (Original) The computer program product of claim 12, wherein the operations further comprise:

receive a predetermined input upon a user selecting the user-selectable command; and  
in response to receiving the predetermined input, display on the graphical user interface the at least one other electronic document.

14. (Currently amended) A computer program product tangibly embodied in an information carrier, the computer program product including instructions that, when executed, generate on a display device a graphical user interface for user navigation between electronic documents that are associated with each other, the graphical user interface comprising:

a document display area wherein a view of a selected electronic document can be displayed, the selected electronic document having [[an]] one of several intrinsic associations with at least one other electronic document; and

a user-selectable command that identifies the intrinsic association by indicating which of the selected electronic document and the other electronic document is a follow up of the other, and causes, while the view of the selected electronic document is being displayed, a view of the other electronic document that is intrinsically associated with the selected electronic document to be displayed in the document display area.

15. (Original) The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the graphical user interface further includes a toolbar with an input control, wherein the user-selectable command appears in a menu that is displayed on the graphical user interface upon user selection of the input control.

16. (Previously presented) The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the selected electronic document is intrinsically associated with each of a plurality of other electronic documents, and wherein the graphical user interface includes a plurality of user-selectable commands for displaying views of the plurality of other electronic documents, each of the plurality of user-selectable commands identifying the respective intrinsic association.

17. (Previously presented) The computer program product of claim 16, wherein the intrinsic associations between the selected electronic document and each of the plurality of other electronic documents belong to any of a plurality of association categories, and wherein the

plurality of user-selectable commands is grouped according to the plurality of association categories.

18. (Original) The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the selected electronic document and the plurality of other electronic documents form a hierarchy.

19. (Original) The computer program product of claim 18, wherein one of the association categories provides navigation upward in the hierarchy.

20. (Original) The computer program product of claim 18, wherein one of the association categories provides navigation downward in the hierarchy.